

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (original): A method of selecting a light redirecting film for a particular application comprising the steps of providing a length of film having a pattern of optical elements on or in the film that varies, selecting an area of the pattern that best suits a particular application, and removing the selected area from the film to provide the light redirecting film.

Claim 2 (original): The method of claim 1 wherein the pattern varies along the length of the film.

Claim 3 (original): The method of claim 1 wherein the pattern varies along the width of the film.

Claim 4 (original): The method of claim 1 wherein the pattern varies along the length and width of the film.

Claim 5 (currently amended): The ~~pattern~~ method of claim 1 wherein the length of the film comprises a roll of the film from which the selected area is removed.

Claim 6 (original): The method of claim 1 wherein the selected area is die cut from the length of the film.

Claim 7 (original): The method of claim 1 wherein the pattern is a repeating pattern on the film.

Claim 8 (original): The method of claim 7 wherein the length of the film comprises a roll of the film from which the selected area is removed.

Claim 9 (original): The method of claim 8 wherein the selected area is die cut from the roll of the film.

Claim 10 (original): A method of selecting a light redirecting film for a particular application comprising the steps of providing a length of film having a pattern of individual optical elements of well defined shape on or in the film that varies, the optical elements being quite small in relation to a width and length of the film, selecting an area of the film that has a pattern of the optical elements that best suits a particular application, and removing the selected area from the film to provide the light redirecting film.

Claim 11 (original): The method of claim 10 wherein the pattern is a repeating pattern.

Claim 12 (original): The method of claim 10 wherein the pattern varies at different locations on the film.

Claim 13 (original): The method of claim 10 wherein at least some of the optical elements overlap, intersect or interlock each other.

Claim 14 (original): The method of claim 10 wherein at least some of the optical elements have different shapes.

Claim 15 (original): The method of claim 10 wherein at least some of the optical elements have a different beam profile at different locations on the film.

Claim 16 (original): The method of claim 10 wherein at least some of the optical elements are randomly distributed on the film.

Claim 17 (original): The method of claim 10 wherein at least some of the optical elements are oriented at different angles on the film.

Claim 18 (original): The method of claim 10 wherein at least some of the optical elements vary in at least one of the following characteristics: slope angle, density, position, orientation, height or depth, shape, and size.

Claim 19 (original): The method of claim 10 wherein at least some of the optical elements are arranged in groupings across the film, with at least some of the optical elements in at least some of the groupings having a different size or shape characteristic that collectively produce an average size or shape characteristic for each of the groupings that varies across the film.

Claim 20 (original): A method of selecting an optical panel for a particular application comprising the steps of providing a length of substrate having a pattern of optical elements on or in the substrate that varies, selecting an area of the pattern that best suits a particular application, and removing the selected area from the substrate to provide the optical panel.

Claim 21 (original): The method of claim 20 wherein the pattern varies along the length of the substrate.

Claim 22 (original): The method of claim 20 wherein the pattern varies along the width of the substrate.

Claim 23 (original): The method of claim 20 wherein the pattern varies along the length and width of the substrate.

Claim 24 (original): The pattern of claim 20 wherein the length of the substrate comprises a roll of the substrate from which the selected area is removed.

Claim 25 (original): The method of claim 20 wherein the selected area is die cut from the length of the substrate.

Claim 26 (original): The method of claim 20 wherein the pattern is a repeating pattern on the substrate.

Claim 27 (original): The method of claim 26 wherein the length of the substrate comprises a roll of the substrate from which the selected area is removed.

Claim 28 (original): The method of claim 27 wherein the selected area is die cut from the roll of the substrate.

Claim 29 (original): The method of claim 20 wherein the optical panel is a backlight.

Claim 30 (original): A method of selecting an optical panel for a particular application comprising the steps of providing a length of substrate having a pattern of individual optical elements of well defined shape on or in the substrate that varies, the optical elements being quite small in relation to a width and length of the substrate, selecting an area of the substrate that has a pattern of the optical elements that best suits a particular application, and removing the selected area from the substrate to provide the optical panel.

Claim 31 (original): The method of claim 30 wherein the pattern is a repeating pattern.

Claim 32 (original): The method of claim 30 wherein the pattern varies at different locations on the substrate.

Claim 33 (original): The method of claim 30 wherein at least some of the optical elements have different shapes.

Claim 34 (original): The method of claim 30 wherein at least some of the optical elements have a different beam profile at different locations on the film.

Claim 35 (original): The method of claim 30 wherein at least some of the optical elements are randomly distributed on the film.

Claim 36 (original): The method of claim 30 wherein at least some of the optical elements are oriented at different angles on the film.

Claim 37 (original): The method of claim 30 wherein at least some of the optical elements vary in at least one of the following characteristics: slope angle, density, position, orientation, height or depth, shape and size.